

June 13, 2021/ Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

Church of St. John

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Love God, Love People, Make Disciples

Masses - Open to the Public

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:00 am

Tuesday and Thursday - 12:00 noon

Saturday - 4:00 pm and 6:30 pm (Spanish Mass)

Sunday - 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Communion Distribution - (In the Parking Lot)

Saturday - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 11:45 pm

There will be a Live Stream on Saturdays of the 4:00 pm Mass (replayed on Sunday at 8:30 am and 11:00 am) available on our Facebook Page and Church website. The Spanish Mass at 6:30 will also be Live Streamed.

Confessional Schedule -

Saturday 9:00 - 11:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration -

Closed until further notice

Office -

Monday - Friday 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

The Staff is on limited hours and will respond as soon as they possibly can.

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Word, Worship and Prayer



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, June 12 - Vigil

4:00 pm Angelo Benedetto by Elizabeth Rubino

6:30 pm People of the Parish

SUNDAY, June 13 Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10;
Mk 4:26-34

8:30 am Cen & Teresa Azcueta by The Alday Family

11:00 am Walter Sadowsky by David & Karen Stagg

MONDAY, June 14 2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42

9:00 am Pauline Galik by Dorothy & Felix Martinez

TUESDAY, June 15 2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48

12:00 pm Jean-Alex Laraque by Fay Ryan

WEDNESDAY, June 16 2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

9:00 am Pio Leus Malabanan by Johnny & Del Torres

THURSDAY, June 17 2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15

12:00 pm For the protection of all children from
abortion by AOH

FRIDAY, June 18 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23

9:00 am Angelo De Beniditto

by Felix & Dorothy Martinez

SATURDAY, June 19 - Vigil

4:00 pm Marie Sauve by Terri Block

6:30 pm People of the Parish

SUNDAY, June 20

8:30 am Thomas Paflitzko by Joi Paflitzko

11:00 am Nella Domenica Pettenati by Leslie



FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HOPE, HEALING & HEALTH

Emilio Accomasso, John Bonito, Morgan Como, Michele Cross, Domenic Fasano, Kathy Geoke, Ermes Gutierrez, Betty Haines, Robin, Stephanie Jubak, Andy Kman, Bud Lake, Carol Lake, Ashlyn Leide, Msgr. Al Lopinto, Teddy Lubanski, Jerry Mahon, William McGrath, Luis Enrique Medina, Ursula Mercadante, Jeronimo Mestizo, Hugo Munillo, Samanta Murillo, Michael Paternoster, Joseph Perin, Joel Rivera, Erica Rizo, Kirsten Rutledge, Judy Smith, Karolyn Spost, Maria Stasolla, Javier Suarez, Sebastian Torres, Walker Family, Krystal Walz, Mitch Wlalto

FOR THE SOULS OF OUR DEARLY DEPARTED

Thomas Budano, Marie Caponi, Sharon Ciemiecki, Kathleen Cruz, Gail Engeman, Thomas Guiffre, Julian Jimenez, Imelda Justado, John McDonald, Charles McQuillan, Marlene McQuillan, Bridget Murphy, Marie Sauve, Kathleen Serwin, Jennie Spath, Jean Vurro

*To add to this list, please email :
stjohnbultn@gmail.com*

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Anne & Robert Garafalo

By Christine Legdon

June 12, 2021 — June 18, 2021

TABERNACLE CANDLE

For All People To Experience

The Love And Comfort of God

By Church of St John

June 12, 2021 — June 18, 2021

Candles are available for your special intentions. They may be acquired in the Parish Office. These candles are available for honoring the memory of your deceased loved ones along with praying for recovery from an illness, celebrating birthday's, anniversaries, etc. We have a card that can be given out when the candle is reserved.

For those who serve our country and community

At the close of our weekend Masses, our community will all kneel and pray three Hail Mary's for those individuals both living and deceased.



FATHER'S DESK



Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time. Half Truth Week 5: “God won’t give you more than you can handle.”

Dear brothers and sisters,

This is the fifth and final week of our series Half-Truth. In this series, we’ve been confronting several popular half-truths in our culture when it comes to faith and religion. To close out the series, today we will confront the popular saying: “God will not give us more than we can handle.” This is true if we mean that God always provides his love and grace; and that God is in control of the world. It is also true to say this, if we mean that God will always be with us.

The whole truth, however, is that God often gives us more than we can handle. He does so for a few reasons: so that we will return to his presence, depend on his power, and grow in our faith and trust in him. Perhaps this has been present in the past year because of COVID-19. In the past year or so, perhaps you have faced the recent “storm” of sickness, or the loss of a loved one, or the loss of work or change of work, or homeschooling your kids, or the lack of ability to see your friends and family. We can’t know WHY God allowed a global pandemic to occur, or any suffering for that matter, but we believe THAT God is with us, and has a plan for each of us!

To reflect on these points, read Mark 4:35-41, the Calming of the Storm, which is next Sunday’s Gospel reading. As you read the passage, engage your imagination. What do you hear? What do you see or smell? What phrases or words stick out to you? Notice that the disciples accuse Jesus of not caring about them! We may accuse God of that sometimes too. Notice also how the disciples react when they witness Jesus’ power in calming the storm.

The whole truth is that there are going to be moments in our lives where we simply feel overwhelmed. When we’re overwhelmed, we may tend to dive into work, or overeat, or withdraw, or escape into a hobby or relationship that will ultimately not satisfy our souls. In those moments when we feel overwhelmed, imagine instead if we turned wholeheartedly to God and his grace. God desires that we learn more and more to rely on his presence and power, as we grow ever deeper in faith and trust, as his life-long disciples.

Questions for Small Groups:

1. When you are feeling overwhelmed, are you most likely: to work harder and longer, go eat, ask for help, go somewhere peaceful and hope it goes away, or do something fun?
2. Do you agree that we tend to pray more when we are facing major problems, and tend to forget about God when life is going well? Why do you agree or disagree?
3. What has been your most recent storm?
4. The disciples obeyed Jesus, but still found themselves in a huge storm. Why is it important to know that sometimes we can experience a storm even though we are aligned with God’s will?
5. The disciples get to see Jesus’ power because they went through the storm. What is their reaction? When have you seen God’s power displayed through a storm?

With blessings,

Fr. Reichlen

Bible Study - the Gospel of Mark With Father Reichlen

This will be a virtual (online) Bible Study on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm.

June 16

It will be live streamed on the Church of St John Website www.churchofstjohn.com , Facebook page and YouTube .



PLEASE HELP!



This is Pro-Life Fund Raiser for
Baby Bottle Boomerangs



May 9, Mother's Day to June 20, Father's Day

Take an empty baby bottle on Mother's Day May 9, Just like a well-tossed boomerang, bring it back full of coins, currency and checks.

Bring back bottles with any amount

Drop off baby bottles in the receptacles at the back of the church after Mass by Father's Day June 20.

Quo Vadis Days 2021

It will be held June 20-22 at Marywood University, Scranton. This camp is for young Catholic men in High School (who were in 9-12th grade during the 2020/2021 school year) to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet Bishop Bambera, priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Scranton. Online registration is now open

Baptism



May Baptisms

Leo Amado Canela

Rowyn Lucille Leager



JUNE 19th is fast approaching - that's the date of the Catholic Women's Conference of NEPA. This year it is being held at Marywood University. Seating will be social distanced in the tent we are using this year.

Our scheduled speakers include Theresa Bonopartis and Father Chris Alar, MIC. Theresa Bonopartis is the Co-Developer of "Entering Canaan - a Sacramental Journey to an Inheritance of Mercy". Father Chris Alar, MIC, currently serves as Director of Marian Helpers at the National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockton, MA. He is the author and producer of "Divine Mercy 101" DVD. We have arranged for transportation to and from for you, at the cost of \$5.00 per person. This should make it much easier for you to join the Women of the Diocese of Scranton at this wonderful event. The bus will be leaving from St. Lukes at 7:15 am. To make a reservation or if you have any questions, call Pat O'Reilly at 570-872-8630 - First come, First served.

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This Week at St. John's

MONDAY, JUNE 14

10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Private Prayer

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Private Prayer

7:00 pm - Knights of Columbus Rosary

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Private Prayer

6:00 pm - BSA Troop 902 Meeting

7:00 pm - Bible Study: Gospel of Mark

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Private Prayer

5:30 pm - Focolare Word of Life Prayer Group (Zoom)

6:30 pm - Music Ministry Rehearsal (In Person)

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

6:00 pm—Women's Bible Discussion Small Group

7:30 pm - AA Meeting (in person)

SATURDAY, JUNE 19 VIGIL

Baby Bottle Campaign (return)

9:00 am - Confessions

5:00 pm - Parking Lot Communion Distribution

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

FATHER'S DAY

Baby Bottle Campaign (return)

11:45 am - Parking Lot Communion Distribution

6:30 pm - Youth Ministry

St John's Organizations

ACTIVE -

Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meeting every Friday night at 7:30 pm. For information, please call Adele 570-269-1671. (In Person)

Focolare Word of Life Gathering - 3rd Thursday at 5:30 pm. Prayer meeting based on the Gospels. For information, please call Carole Lippold 718-863-1105. (Zoom)

Grief Support Group - You are not alone. You can count on the Church of St John for grief support, as we navigate together, after the loss of a loved one, through one of life's most painful and difficult challenges. Call the parish office or contact Leslie - Lesliepett@yahoo.com or 201-970-2947 for more information and to participate. (Zoom)

Knights of Columbus -

1st (7:30 pm) and 3rd Tuesday (7:00 pm). For more information, please contact: Julio Cruz (Grand Knight) 570-656-0842. Everyone is invited to join us on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm to pray the Rosary for pro-life intentions.

St. John's Columbiettes - 2nd Thursday at 7:00 pm. Women interested in becoming members, e-mail Violette -President - francois_3@msn.com or call 570-269-6203 (Zoom)

Women's Bible Discussion Group—1st & 3rd Fridays at 6:00 pm. For Information contact Violet at francois_3@msn.com (Zoom)

SUSPENDED - UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Charismatic Group - Wednesdays 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Come join us and learn about the Holy Spirit and how he manifests his gift through us. He leads, guides, teaches and protects us as we sing, pray and worship him.

"Mady's Kitchen" Free Community Dinner -

The last Sunday of each month. St. John's Church Hall Call: Laura - 570-588-1707

St John's Seniors - 1st Tuesday at 1:00 pm. President - Felix Martinez. Contact Laura Zaso - Secretary - 570-588-9358

Special Needs Worship Ministry - In honor of Deacon Thomas Dello Russo. Our mission is simple; to welcome and support people with special needs and their families to grow in faith and participate in the life of our parish community. For all those interested, call Mary Galayda at 570-588-9242.

Guidelines for Events At St John's

Per the instructions of Bishop Bambera, if you are vaccinated, you no longer need to wear a mask inside the Church of St. John for Mass or other activities. Please be aware that anyone who is not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 MUST still wear a face mask. The church will maintain one section where the pews are still roped off to allow for social distancing, and another section that is not socially distanced. Please be respectful of others' safety. If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, please do not enter the church building. Thank you for your patience!

In the next several weeks and months, the church will GRADUALLY bring back things like holy water, candles, singing, and various liturgical ministries.

Communion Distribution will be in the Parking Lot on Saturdays at 5:00pm and Sundays at 11:45 am. Please follow the directions of the parking lot attendants. You will be expected to exit your car and walk to a designated space in the parking lot in order to receive Communion.



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